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## HOUSE ENROLLED ACT No. 1386

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AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning natural and cultural resources.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

SECTION 1. IC 14-9-8-28 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999]: Sec. 28. (a) The natural resources commission shall categorize salaries of enforcement officers within each rank based upon the rank held and the number of years of service in the department through the tenth year. The salary ranges that the commission assigns to each rank shall be divided into a base salary and ten (10) increments above the base salary with:

- (1) the base salary in the rank paid to a person with less than one (1) year of service in the department; and
- (2) the highest salary in the rank paid to a person with at least ten (10) years of service in the department.

(b) For purposes of creating the salary matrix prescribed by this section, the natural resources commission may not approve salary ranges for any rank that are less than the salary ranges effective for that rank on January 1, 1995.

(c) The salary matrix prescribed by this section shall be reviewed and approved by the state budget agency before implementation.

(d) **The salaries for law enforcement officers of the law enforcement division of the department must be equal to the**

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**salaries of police employees of the state police department under IC 10-1-1-4.5, based upon years of service in the department and rank held.**

(e) The money needed to fund the salaries resulting from the matrix prescribed by this section shall come from the appropriation from the professional and technical equity fund.

**(f) The requirement of subsection (d) does not affect:**

**(1) any rights or liabilities accrued; or**

**(2) any proceedings begun;**

**on or before June 30, 1999. Those rights, liabilities, and proceedings continue and shall be imposed and enforced under prior civil law and procedure as if the requirement of subsection (d) had not been enacted.**

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